

## **IC 5-10-11**

### **Chapter 11. State Employees' Death Benefit**

#### **IC 5-10-11-1**

##### **"Board" defined**

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "board" refers to the board of trustees of the public employees' retirement fund.

*As added by P.L.49-1989, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 5-10-11-2**

##### **"Dies in the line of duty" defined**

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "dies in the line of duty" refers to a death that occurs as a direct result of personal injury or illness resulting from a state employee's performance of the duties of the employee's job.

*As added by P.L.49-1989, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 5-10-11-3**

##### **"State employee" defined**

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "state employee" means an employee of a state agency, except a state educational institution (as defined under IC 20-12-0.5-1). "State employee" does not include a public safety officer who receives benefits under IC 5-10-10.

*As added by P.L.49-1989, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 5-10-11-4**

##### **Establishment of program and fund**

Sec. 4. The state shall establish and operate a death benefit program for the payment of lump sum death benefits to the survivors of a state employee who dies in the line of duty. The state may provide these benefits by purchasing group life insurance or by establishing a program of self-insurance. If the state establishes a program of self-insurance, the state shall establish a fund to be managed by the board and funded by such contributions as considered necessary by the board. The board shall pay benefits out of the fund established by the state under this section.

*As added by P.L.49-1989, SEC.7. Amended by P.L.25-1994, SEC.2.*

#### **IC 5-10-11-5**

##### **Lump sum payment**

Sec. 5. The board shall pay a death benefit of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in a lump sum to the surviving spouse, or if there is no surviving spouse, to the surviving children (to be shared equally) of a state employee who dies in the line of duty.

*As added by P.L.49-1989, SEC.7.*

#### **IC 5-10-11-6**

##### **Additional benefit**

Sec. 6. The death benefit provided by this chapter is in addition to any other benefits provided by state or federal law.

*As added by P.L.49-1989, SEC.7.*